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E.O. 11652:

TAGS: OVIP, SOPN, VANCE CYRUS R.

SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT PRESS BRIEFING AUGUST 4, 1977

NO. 13

1. CANAL NEGOTIATIONS: I SAID WE ANTICIPATE THAT FORMAL NEGOTIATIONS WILL RESUME NEXT WEEK. WHERE AND EXACTLY WHEN STILL UNDECIDED. AS TO CURRENT INFORMAL TALKS THIS WEEK, IN ATTEMPT TO RESPOND TO PREVIOUS REQUESTS TO DEFINE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN FORMAL NEGOTIATIONS AND INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS, I SAID THERE ARE SEVERAL INFORMAL MEETINGS NOW GOING ON HERE, COVERING SUCH MATTERS AS ECONOMIC ARRANGEMENTS AND LANDS AND WATERS. TAKING PART ON PANAMA SIDE ARE BARLETTA (MINISTER OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC POLICY) AND, ON OUR SIDE, BUNKER AND LINOWITZ, PLUS OTHERS ON EACH SIDE. BUT ONE OF CHIEF PANAMANIAN NEGOTIATORS (ESCOBAR) IS NOT TAKING
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PART AND IS NOT EVEN IN THE U.S. (FYI, FOREGOING DID NOT GO VERY FAR IN DISPELLING NOTION AMONG PRESS HERE THAT SUBSTANTIVE--AND CLIMACTIC NEGOTIATIONS ON ECONOMIC ARRANGEMENTS ARE, IN FACT, TAKING PLACE HERE THIS WEEK.)

2. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION, I CONFIRMED THAT WEST GERMANS HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH US CONCERNING AUGUST 3 EVANS-

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NOVAK PIECE, NOTING ALSO THAT BRZEZINSKI HAD TALKED WITH GENSCHER.

3. TO QUESTION WHETHER KOREAN GOVERNMENT PROTESTED DEPARTMENT'S RELEASE TO LA TIMES OF SNEIDER-DEPARTMENT CABLE CONCERNING KOREAN ACTIVITIES IN U.S., I SAID ROKG HAD EXPRESSED ITS CONCERN.

4. UNABLE FIND ANY CORRECTION IN AUGUST 4 NY TIMES TO GWERTZMAN STORY APPEARING AUGUST 3, WHICH YOU ASKED ABOUT. WILL CONTINUE LOOK FOR IT IN SUBSEQUENT DAYS' EDITIONS.
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